

CITY COUNCIL ACTIVITY REPORT

Meeting: November 19, 2024

Reporting Councilmember: Vice Mayor J.R. Fruen

Report Activity Dates: 10/8/24 to 11/11/24

Event Date, Title, and Description:

Event 1. October 10, 2024 – CUSD Board Recognition of National Blue Ribbon Award to Miller Middle School – On behalf of the City of Cupertino, I presented Miller Middle School with a Certificate of Recognition in honor of the school's receipt of the prestigious National Blue Ribbon Award as part of the Cupertino Union School District Board of Trustees meeting. Representatives from San Jose District 1, Rep. Ro Khanna, Asm. Evan Low, and Sen. Dave Cortese also attended and offered their recognition. As a Miller alum, this was an especially gratifying occasion.

Event 2. October 11, 2024 – **Meeting with the City Manager** – I attended my regular weekly meeting with the City Manager to go over upcoming council agendas and to discuss ongoing issues, including constituent matters.

Event 3. October 11, 2024 – **Briefing on Homelessness Study Session** – I attended a briefing with city staff on homelessness in Cupertino and options for encampment management.

Event 4. October 11, 2024 – **Briefing on Uncommitting CDTFA Settlement Fund** – I attended a briefing hosted by city staff on the legal underpinning for uncommitting funds previously set aside to repay the State of California in the wake of the CDTFA audit.

Event 5. October 12, 2024 – **Cupertino Library 20**th **Anniversary Celebration** – ITogether with Mayor Mohan and Councilmember Moore, I attended a special celebration at the Cupertino Library in honor of the new building's 20th anniversary.

Event 6. October 12, 2024 – **Cupertino Diwali Festival** – Together with Mayor Mohan and representatives of neighboring cities, our three school districts, and our state and federal legislative delegations, I joined in the Chamber of Commerce's annual Diwali Festival at Memorial Park. It was a well-attended and joyous event.

Event 7. October 12, 2024 – **Meeting with Neighbors of Evulich Court** – I met with a group of roughly 10 neighbors of this location — a priority Housing Element site subject to an active development application pursuant to SB 330. We discussed their concerns and the process by which such development applications arise and work their way through the city's process. It was a productive and insightful meeting.

Event 8. October 16-18, 2024 – League of California Cities Annual Conference and Expo – Along with Mayor Mohan and Councilmember Moore, I attended this annual city policy focused conference put on by the League of California Cities.

Event 9. October 23, 2024 – **Santa Clara Valley Water Commission Meeting** – I attended this meeting in my capacity as Cupertino's representative on the Commission.

Event 10. October 29, 2024 – **Hsinchu Delegation Greeting and Lunch** – Alongside Mayor Mohan, I attended a welcome reception lunch for the student delegation for our sister city of Hsinchu, Taiwan.

Event 11. October 30, 2024 – **Ribbon Cutting for Alan Row** – I attended the city's ribbon cutting for Alan Row, a new development of townhomes at the corner of Stevens Creek Boulevard and Foothill Expressway. It was a great joy to deliver the city's official remarks as we inaugurated one more piece in the puzzle to fulfilling our housing needs.

Event 12. November 1, 2024 – **Meeting with the City Manager** – I attended my regular weekly meeting with the City Manager to go over upcoming council agendas and to discuss ongoing issues, including constituent matters.

Event 13. November 1, 2024 – **Hsinchu Sister City Farewell Dinner** – I attended this dinner to help the city and our partner local agencies—CUSD and FUHSD—bid farewell to our student visitors from Hsinchu, Taiwan.

Event 14. November 8, 2024 – **Meeting with the Acting Interim City Manager** – I attended my regular weekly meeting with the City Manager —here, in the absence of the City Manager, Acting Interim City Manager Tina Kapoor—to go over upcoming council agendas and to discuss ongoing issues, including constituent matters.

Event 15. November 8, 2024 – **STAR Awards** – I attended the Chamber of Commerce's annual STAR Awards recognizing members of the business community for special achievements and service to the community. This year's event was held at the Hyatt House.

Event 16. November 9, 2024 – Local Electeds Panel Discussion re Saratoga Urban Village – This was a follow-on meeting to a prior, similar meeting in support of work performed by SJSU graduate students in the Department of Regional and Urban Planning as part of their Capstone Project, and convened by San Jose Vice Mayor Rosemary Kamei, representing West San Jose. We were joined by representatives of Saratoga (Vice Mayor Belal Aftab and Councilmember Tina Walia), Campbell (Councilmember Ann Bybee), the Campbell Union High School District (James Kim), and representatives from relevant staff-level departments in San Jose and VTA. This meeting's discussion focused on the whole of the Saratoga Urban Village planning area from El Paseo de Saratoga and Westgate West in the southwest to the Saratoga Avenue entrance to I-280 in the northeast and focused on findings the students had made as well as a commitment from all concerned to keep the conversation going through future convenings.

Event 17. November 11, 2024 – **Veterans' Day Ceremony** – In the absence of Mayor Mohan, I had the honor of delivering remarks on behalf of the City of Cupertino in recognition of Veterans' Day as part of the annual Veterans' Day Ceremony. The event was well attended despite the pouring rain.